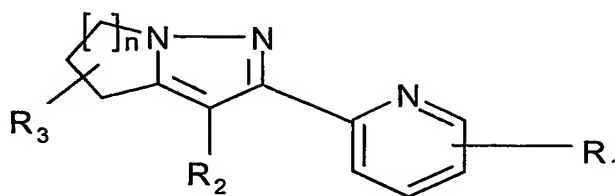


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WE CLAIM:

1. A compound of the formula:



Formula Ia

5 wherein n is 1-4;

R_1 may be one or more optional substituents selected from the group consisting of: (C1-C6)alkyl, (C2-C6)alkenyl, (C2-C6)alkynyl, (C1-C6)alkoxy, (C2-C6)alkenyloxy, (C2-C6)alkynyloxy, (C1-C6)alkylthio, (C1-C6)alkylsulphinyl, (C1-C6)alkylsulphonyl, (C1-C6)alkylamino, di-[(C1-C6)alkyl]amino, (C1-C6)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(C1-C6)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(C1-C6)alkyl]carbamoyl, (C2-C6)alkanoyl, (C2-C6)alkanoyloxy, (C2-C6)alkanoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C2-C6)alkanoylamino, (C3-C6)alkenoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C3-C6)alkenoylamino, (C3-C6)alkynoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C3-C6)alkynoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkylsulphamoyl, N,N-di-[(C1-C6)alkyl]sulphamoyl, (C1-C6)alkanesulphonylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C1-C6)alkanesulphonylamino, carboxamide, ethylene, thiophenyl, aminophenyl, trifluoromethyl, halo, trifluoromethoxy, hydroxymethyl, N-pyrrolidino, N-morpholino, phenylthio, (C1-C4)dialkylaminomethyl, methoxyphenyl, amino, hydroxy, carboxyl, phenyl, arylalkyl;

20 R_2 is selected from the group comprising unsubstituted or substituted thiophene; unsubstituted or substituted oxazole; unsubstituted or substituted pyrazine; unsubstituted or substituted furan; unsubstituted or substituted imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine; unsubstituted or substituted benzoimidazole; unsubstituted or substituted quinoxaline; unsubstituted or substituted isoquinoline; unsubstituted or substituted benzothiazole; unsubstituted or substituted indole; unsubstituted or substituted imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine; unsubstituted or substituted imidazo[4,5-c]pyridine; unsubstituted or substituted oxazolo[4,5-b]pyridine;

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unsubstituted or substituted dihydrobenzofuran; unsubstituted or substituted benzofuran; unsubstituted or substituted benzo[2,1,3]thiadiazole; unsubstituted or substituted benzo[1,2,5]thiadiazole; unsubstituted or substituted pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine; unsubstituted or substituted 3,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[b][1,4]dioxepine; unsubstituted or substituted [1,5]naphthyridine; unsubstituted or substituted [1,6]naphthyridine; or unsubstituted or substituted [1,8]naphthyridine;

wherein the substitution may independently be one or more of the following:

(C1-C6)alkyl; (C1-C6)alkoxy; halogen; hydroxy; nitro; amino;

phenyl or substituted phenyl, wherein the phenyl may independently be substituted by one or two of the following: halogen, (C1-C6)alkyl, (C1-C6)alkoxy, nitro, amino, or hydroxy;

-(CH₂)_mR⁸;

-(CH₂)_o(O)R⁹;

-(CH₂)_oC(O)morpholine;

-C(O)R⁶;

-C(O)OR⁴;

-C(O)NR⁴R⁵;

-C(O)NR⁴(CH₂)_oNR⁴R⁵;

-NR⁴(C1-C9)alkyl;

-NR⁴C(O)(CH₂)_mCH₃

-NR⁴C(O)(CH₂)_oNR⁴R⁵;

-O(CH₂)_oR⁷;

or -OC(O)R⁴;

wherein

m is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

o is 1, 2 or 3;

R⁴ and R⁵ are each independently hydrogen or (C1-C6)alkyl;

R⁶ is hydrogen, (C1-C6)alkyl or -NR⁴R⁵;

R⁷ is hydroxy, cyano, pyrrolidine or NR⁴R⁵;

R⁸ is morpholine, hydroxy, pyrrolidine, tetrahydropyran, (C1-C6)alkyl or NR⁴R⁵;

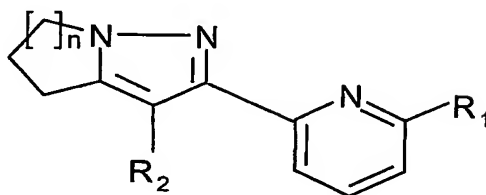
R⁹ is morpholine, pyrrolidine, tetrahydropyran, or (C1-C6)alkyl;

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R_3 is hydrogen or (C1-C6)alkyl;
and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

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2. A compound according to claim 1 of the formula:



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Formula II

wherein n is 0 or 1;

R_1 is hydrogen or (C1-C4alkyl);

R_2 is selected from the group comprising unsubstituted or substituted thiophene; unsubstituted or substituted oxazole; unsubstituted or substituted pyrazine; unsubstituted or substituted furan; unsubstituted or substituted imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine; unsubstituted or substituted benzoimidazole; unsubstituted or substituted quinoxaline; unsubstituted or substituted isoquinoline; unsubstituted or substituted benzothiazole; unsubstituted or substituted indole; unsubstituted or substituted imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine; unsubstituted or substituted imidazo[4,5-c]pyridine; unsubstituted or substituted oxazolo[4,5-b]pyridine; unsubstituted or substituted dihydrobenzofuran; unsubstituted or substituted benzofuran; unsubstituted or substituted benzo[2,1,3]thiadiazole; unsubstituted or substituted benzo[1,2,5]thiadiazole; unsubstituted or substituted pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine; unsubstituted or substituted 3,4-dihydro-2H-benzo[b][1,4]dioxepine; unsubstituted or substituted [1,5]naphthyridine; unsubstituted or substituted [1,6]naphthyridine; or unsubstituted or substituted [1,8]naphthyridine;

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wherein the substitution may independently be one or more of the following:

(C1-C6)alkyl; (C1-C6)alkoxy; halogen; hydroxy; nitro; amino;

phenyl or substituted phenyl, wherein the phenyl is substituted by one or two halogens;

$-(CH_2)_mR^8$;

5 $-(CH_2)_o(O)R^9$;

$-(CH_2)_oC(O)morpholine$;

$-C(O)R^6$;

$-C(O)OR^4$;

$-C(O)NR^4R^5$;

10 $-C(O)NR^4(CH_2)_oNR^4R^5$;

$-NR^4(C1-C9)alkyl$;

$-NR^4C(O)(CH_2)_mCH_3$

$-NR^4C(O)(CH_2)_oNR^4R^5$;

$-O(CH_2)_oR^7$;

15 or $-OC(O)R^4$;

wherein

m is 0, 1, 2 or 3;

o is 1, 2 or 3;

R^4 and R^5 are each independently hydrogen or (C1-C6)alkyl;

20 R^6 is hydrogen, (C1-C6)alkyl or $-NR^4R^5$;

R^7 is hydroxy, cyano, pyrrolidine or NR^4R^5 ;

R^8 is morpholine, hydroxy, pyrrolidine, tetrahydropyran, (C1-C6)alkyl or NR^4R^5 ;

R^9 is morpholine, pyrrolidine, tetrahydropyran, or (C1-C6)alkyl;

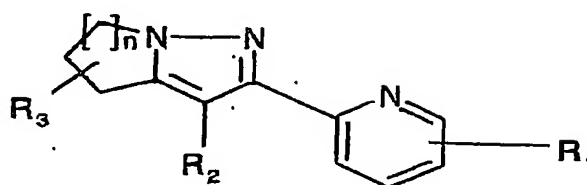
and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

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3. A compound according to Claim 1:



Formula I

wherein n is 1-4;

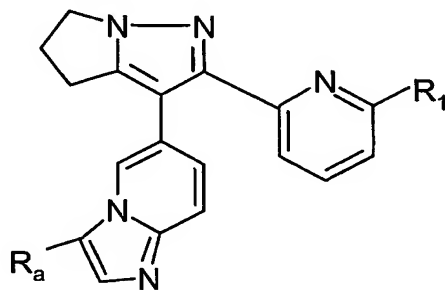
R_1 may be one or more optional substituents selected from the group consisting of: (C1-C6)alkyl, (C2-C6)alkenyl, (C2-C6)alkynyl, (C1-C6)alkoxy, (C2-C6)alkenyloxy, (C2-C6)alkynyloxy, (C1-C6)alkylthio, (C1-C6)alkylsulphinyl, (C1-C6)alkylsulphonyl, (C1-C6)alkylamino, di-[(C1-C6)alkyl]amino, (C1-C6)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(C1-C6)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(C1-C6)alkyl]carbamoyl, (C2-C6)alkanoyl, (C2-C6)alkanoyloxy, (C2-C6)alkanoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C2-C6)alkanoylamino, (C3-C6)alkenoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C3-C6)alkenoylamino, (C3-C6)alkynoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C3-C6)alkynoylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkylsulphamoyl, N,N-di-[(C1-C6)alkyl]sulphamoyl, (C1-C6)alkanesulphonylamino, N-(C1-C6)alkyl-(C1-C6)alkanesulphonylamino, carboxamide, ethylene, thiophenyl, aminophenyl, trifluoromethyl, halo, trifluoromethoxy, hydroxymethyl, N-pyrrolidino, N-morpholino, phenylthio, (C1-C4)dialkylaminomethyl, methoxyphenyl, amino, hydroxy, carboxyl, phenyl, arylalkyl;

R_2 is selected from the group comprising oxazole; benzo[2,1,3]thiadiazole; quinoxaline; 1*H*-imidazo[4,5-*c*]pyridine; imidazo[1,2-*a*]pyridine; indole; pyrazine; dihydrobenzofuran; furan; thiophene; isoquinoline; benzofuran; benzothiazole; 3,4-dihydro-2*H*-benzo[*b*][1,4]dioxepine; 1*H*-imidazo[4,5-*b*]pyridine; pyrazolo[1,5-*a*]pyrimidine; oxazolo[4,5-*b*]pyridine; 1*H*-benzoimidazole; [1,8]naphthyridine; or [1,5]naphthyridine;

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R₃ may be one or more optional substituents selected from the group consisting of (C1-C6 alkyl);
and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

5 4. A compound according to claim 2 of the formula:



Formula III

wherein:

R₁ is hydrogen or methyl;

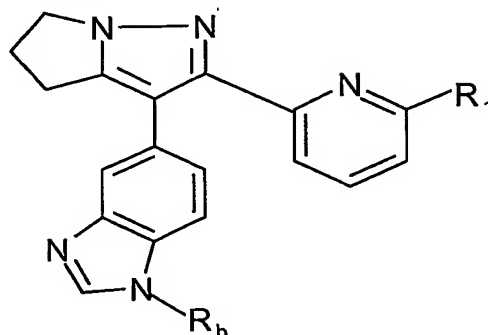
R_a is hydrogen;

- 10 -CH₂ N-morpholino;
 -CH₂C(O)N-morpholino;
 -C(O)OCH₂CH₃;
 -C(O)NH(CH₂)₂N(CH₃)₂;
 -NHCH(CH₂)₂CH₂CH(CH₂)₂CH₃;
15 -NHC(O)CH₃;
 -C(O)NH₂;
 4-chlorophenyl;

and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

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5. A compound according to claim 2 of the formula:



Formula IV

wherein:

R₁ is hydrogen or methyl;

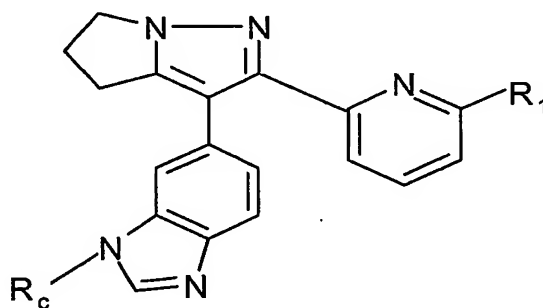
5 R_b is hydrogen;

-methyl;

-(CH₂)₃O-tetrahydropyran;

and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

10 6. A compound according to claim 2 of the formula:



Formula V

wherein:

R₁ is hydrogen or methyl;

R_c is hydrogen;

15 -methyl;

-(CH₂)₃OH;

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 $-(CH_2)_3N(CH_3)_2$; $-(CH_2)_3N(CH_2CH_3)_2$; $-(CH_2)X$,

wherein X is either N-morpholino, N-pyrrolidine or N-piperidine;

5 and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

7. A compound according to claim 1 selected from the group consisting of:

- 10 a) 2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- b) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-indole;
- c) 3-(2-Phenyl-oxazol-5-yl)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- d) 4-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzo[2,1,3]thiadiazole;
- 15 e) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]benzo[2,1,3]thiadiazole;
- f) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxaline;
- g) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxaline;
- 20 h) 2-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- i) 2-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-imidazo[4,5-c]pyridine;
- 25 j) 2-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzimidazole;
- k) 2-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-oxazolo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- l) 2-Dimethylamino-N-[6-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-[1,8]naphthyridin-2-yl]-acetamide;
- 30 m) 4-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-[1,8]naphthyridine;

- n) 2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-3-(imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-6-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- o) 7-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-isoquinoline;
- 5 p) 4-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-isoquinoline;
- q) 3-(4-Fluoro-benzofuran-7-yl)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- r) 2-Methyl-5-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzothiazole;
- 10 s) 2-Methyl-5-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzothiazole;
- t) 3-(4-Fluoro-benzofuran-7-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- 15 u) 7-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-isoquinoline;
- v) 1-Methyl-5-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-indole;
- w) 1-Methyl-5-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H indole;
- 20 x) 3-(Pyrazin-2-yl)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- y) 2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-(pyrazin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- 25 z) 3-(2,3-Dihydro-benzofuran-5-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- aa) 3-(Furan-3-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- bb) 3-(Furan-3-yl)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- 30 cc) 2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-(thiophen-3-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;

- dd) 3-(Benzofuran-5-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- ee) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine;
- 5 ff) 3-(3,4-Dihydro-2H-benzo[b][1,4]dioxepin-7-yl)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- gg) 3-Morpholin-4-ylmethyl-6-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine;
- hh) 1-Morpholin-4-yl-2-[6-(2-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-3-yl]-ethanone;
- 10 ii) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid;
- jj) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine;
- 15 kk) 1-Morpholin-4-yl-2-[6-(2-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-2-yl]-ethanone;
- ll) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid (2-dimethylamino-ethyl)-amide;
- mm) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine-2-carboxylic acid ethyl ester;
- 20 nn) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine-2-carboxylic acid amide;
- oo) 8-Fluoro-6-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine;
- 25 pp) [6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-3-yl]-(1,1,3,3-tetramethyl-butyl)-amine;
- qq) N-[6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-3-yl]-acetamide;
- rr) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine-3-carboxylic Acid Amide;
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- ss) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine-2-carboxylic Acid (2-Dimethylamino-ethyl)-amide;
- 5 tt) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine-3-carboxylic Acid Amide;
- uu) 7-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine;
- vv) 3-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-imidazo[1,2-a]pyridine;
- 10 ww) 5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- xx) 1-Methyl-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- yy) 1-Methyl-6-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- 15 zz) 1-Methyl-5-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- aaa) 1-Methyl-5-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- 20 bbb) 5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1-[3-(tetrahydro-pyran-2-yloxy)-propyl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- ccc) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1-[3-(tetrahydro-pyran-2-yloxy)-propyl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- ddd) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1-[3-(tetrahydro-pyran-2-yloxy)-propyl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- 25 eee) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1-[3-(tetrahydro-pyran-2-yloxy)-propyl]-1H-benzoimidazole;
- fff) 2-{7-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-pyrido[2,3-b]pyrazin-2-yloxy}-ethanol;
- 30 ggg) 7-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-quinoxalin-2-one;

hhh) 3-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl] [1,5]naphthyridine;

iii) 3-[6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-propan-1-ol;

5 jjj) 3-[6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-propan-1-ol;

kkk) Methanesulfonic Acid 3-[6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-propyl Ester;

10 lll) Methanesulfonic acid 3-[6-[2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzoimidazol-1-yl]-propyl ester;

mmm) Dimethyl-[3-[6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazol-1-yl]propyl]amine;

nnn) Diethyl-[3-[6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazol-1-yl]propyl]amine;

15 ooo) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1-(3-morpholin-4-yl-propyl)-1H-benzoimidazole;

ppp) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1-(3-pyrrolidin-1-yl-propyl)-1H-benzoimidazole;

20 qqq) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1-(3-piperidin-1-yl-propyl)-1H-benzoimidazole;

rrr) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-benzoimidazole;

sss) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxaline;

25 ttt) 2-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxaline;

uuu) 2-[7-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxalin-2-yloxy]-ethanol;

30 vvv) 4-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-[1,6]naphthyridine;

www) 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-isoquinoline;

- xxx) 6-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-
benzothiazole;
- yyy) 2-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-
benzothiazole;
- 5 zzz) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-
benzothiazol-2-ylamine;
- aaaa) 4-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-
indole;
- 10 bbbb) 3-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-1H-
indole;
- cccc) 3-(2,3-Dihydro-benzofuran-5-yl)-2-(pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-
pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- dddd) Acetic acid 5-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-
b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzofuran-3-yl ester;
- 15 eeee) 3-(5-Methoxy-benzofuran-3-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-
dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- ffff) 5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-
yl]-benzofuran-2-carboxylic acid;
- gggg) 3-(Benzofuran-2-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-
20 pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole;
- hhhh) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-
pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine;
- iiii) 5-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-
yl]-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine;
- 25 jjjj) 5-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-3-yl]-
pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine;
- kkkk) 8-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-
[1,6]naphthyridine;
- llll) 3-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-
30 pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine;
- mmmm) 2-[2-(Pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-
[1,5]naphthyridine;

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- nnnn) 2-Chloro-7-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxaline;
- oooo) Dimethyl-(2-{7-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxalin-2-yloxy}-ethyl)-amine;
- 5 pppp) Dimethyl-(2-{7-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxalin-2-yloxy}-propyl)-amine;
- qqqq) 7-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-quinoxaline-2-carboxylic acid amide;

and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

- 10 8. A compound according to claim 3 selected from the group consisting of:
- a. 3-(2-Phenyl-oxazol-5-yl)-2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- 15 b. 4-(2-Pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-benzo[2,1,3]thiadiazole.
- c. 5-(2-Pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)benzo[2,1,3]thiadiazole.
- d. 6-(2-Pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-quinoxaline.
- 20 e. 2-(2-Pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-1H-imidazo[4,5-c]pyridine.
- f. 2-(pyridin-2-yl)-3-(imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-6-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- g. 7-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-isoquinoline.
- 25 h. 3-(4-fluoro-benzofuran-7-yl)-2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- i. 2-methyl-5-(2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-benzothiazole.
- 30 j. 2-methyl-5-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl]-benzothiazole.

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- k. 3-(4-fluoro-benzofuran-7-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- l. 7-(2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-isoquinoline.
- 5 m. 1-Methyl-5-(2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-1H-indole.
- n. 1-Methyl-5-(2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-1H indole.
- o. 3-Pyrazin-2-yl-2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- 10 p. 2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-pyrazin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- q. 3-(2,3-dihydro-benzofuran-5-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- r. 3-Furan-3-yl-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- 15 s. 2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-thiophen-3-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- t. 3-benzofuran-5-yl-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.
- 20 u. 6-(2-Pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazol-3-yl)-pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyrimidine.
- v. 3-(3,4-Dihydro-2H-benzo[b][1,4]dioxepin-7-yl)-2-pyridin-2-yl-5,6-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[1,2-b]pyrazole.

25 9. A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to any one of Claims 1 to 8 or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ester thereof together with a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier.

30 10. Use of a compound according to any one of Claims 1 to 8 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ester thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of cancer, fibrosis, restenosis, wound healing, HIV infection, alzheimer's disease and/or atherosclerosis.

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11. The method of treating cancer which comprises administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to any one of Claims 1 to 8 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ester thereof.

5 12. Use of a compound according to any one of Claims 1 to 8 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ester thereof, in combination with any other anti-cancer agent in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of cancer.

10 13. The method of treating cancer which comprises of administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to any one of Claims 1 to 8 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ester thereof in combination with any other anti-cancer agent.